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BAUGHURST PARISH COUNCIL Minutes of a meeting held on Thursday 21 February 2019 7.30 pm, Heath End Hall, Baughurst

PRESENT: Cllrs J Hewitt (Chairman), C Grenville, G Hetherington, F Langley, G Porter, S E Terrett, R T Ward
Also present: County Councillor D Mellor, Borough Councillor M Bound and 3 members of the public
Apologies for absence received from Cllrs M G Slatford, P R S Postance and C Curtis
In attendance: Mrs P J Waterfield, Clerk to the Council

211. **Minutes of the last meeting**

The Minutes of the meeting of 17 January 2019, copies of which had been circulated, were taken as read and approved.

212. **Declarations of interest**

Councillors were reminded that for those with any interest to be disclosed in relation to an item included in the agenda for this meeting, it was their duty to do so at the appropriate agenda item (as required to be disclosed by Section 96(1) of the LGA 1972, and in accordance with the Parish Councils Order 2001. Councillors had each received a form, which they were required to complete with any declarations of interest on an annual basis.

213. **Matters arising from the Minutes**

a) Closure, Wolverton gate

Vitaplay had provided a provide a quotation for repair of £394.50.

b) Parish Council vacancy

Vacancy had been filled by Cllr G Hetherington. Despite the continuing non-attendance by Cllr Narracott, no resignation has yet been received.

214. **County, Borough, BDAPTC and Police reports**

a) County Councillor Derek Mellor reported that:

- The heavy snow in early February had caused many problems, exacerbated by the closure of the M3 and traffic re-routed through Basingstoke. Salt bins had all been filled, and he noted that grit is used, rather than sand. Some of this is compacted where lids have been left open in rain.
- He apologised for the delay in the proposed works for a new disabled access at Heath End Road, but noted these were in the pipeline.
- Recent speed checks in Wolverton Common had resulted in an average speed of 34.6 mph, which is insufficient to enable imposition of further traffic calming measures.
- The A339 will be closed at Headley from 4 March for 3 days for resurfacing, 9.00 pm – 6.00 am.
- Clerk had noted flooding at Ham Lane by Snowdrop Cottage, which will be investigated.
- Budgets had been set - £2.2bn turnover. Little impact in Baughurst, except that the highways maintenance budget has been dropped by 12%, although hopefully monies can be clawed back from central government.
- He now sits on the Airport development committee.

b) Borough Councillor Michael Bound reported that:

- A recent planning application for 17 dwellings had been turned down under ONR regulations, following refusal of a similar application in Broadhalfpenny Lane.
- The application for 3 dwellings in Church Lane, Wolverton, had been withdrawn just prior to a Development Control committee due to discuss it. Significant changes between the original application and a later amendment had been identified.

- He had attended recent meetings regarding CIL and S106 levies.
- BDBC Council Tax will rise by approximately 4.29%, an impact on Baughurst households of £5.00 pa, increasing revenue by £1.3m pa. Central government grant funding will be reduced.

c) Police

Incidents reported between 1st December and 31st December 2018 which now covers the whole of Rural West -

21	Suspicious incidents - (from suspicious people to vehicles).
17	Assault. (not necessarily physical, between partners)
3	Criminal damage
11	Road traffic incidents/driving complaints
16	Anti-social behaviour incidents (environmental, between people known to each other, vehicle, groups of youths)
0	Public order
12	Non dwelling breaks (shed, garage, business)
1	Dwelling break (home/residential)
2	Theft from vehicle
2	Drugs
7	Theft
2	Theft of vehicle

Criminal Damage

On 04/01/2019 at 00.47 hours – Huntsmoor Road, Tadley, Reporting that an unknown person has thrown a stone through their living room window.

Sometime overnight of 04/01/2019 into 05/01/2019 – Wildwood drive, Baughurst, Reporting that an unknown person has caused damage to their vehicle by smashing off the wing mirror.

Other news

- Between 1st December and the 31st December 4 drivers were arrested for drink drive offences in the rural area, also 4 vehicles were seized from the road side.
- 4 vehicles seized for no insurance.
- Over the last couple of weeks there has been various reports of vehicles involved in scrap metal thefts in the area. Some of the reports have come from local residents living in the Rural West area, also reports coming in from West Berkshire.
- 28/01/2019 a white Ford Transit MA57 *** was sighted in the Kingsclere area helping themselves to metal from front gardens. The vehicle was sighted in other parts of Rural West, also sighted across the border in West Berkshire.
- An individual is shooting pellets from an airgun in the Tadley and Silchester areas, and hitting people.

215. Open forum

Members of the public reported the following issues:

- Introduction of stakes outside their property but on highway land – County Councillor Mellor to investigate.
- Parking on the pavement outside the Police House, Baughurst Road. Photograph to be taken and send to Police.
- The littering of the garden, both front and rear, with dilapidated and derelict vehicles. Borough Councillor Bound to investigate.
- Kerbside litter – Borough Councillor Bound to investigate. Clearance of litter in verges in rural areas requires road closures, and health and safety issues, and it was noted that these factors incur considerable expense in implementation. A reminder about disposal of litter will be made in the next parish newsletter.

- Waste bin opposite The Cricketers – loose housing – Clerk to advise BDBC.
- Baughurst Road traffic speeds – concern noted. The 30mph zone had only been introduced, after much effort by this Council, 10 years ago, but the problem lies in the enforcement by Police.
- Litter at Heath End shops – responsibility of the shopkeepers, as the land is privately owned, but BDBC can be called out to enforce the situation.

216. **Planning**

a) to receive and consider the latest planning applications

19/00094/HSE	The Well House, Violet Lane	Single storey side extension with balcony over	No objection
19/00324/HSE	69 Long Grove	Part single storey, part 2 storey side and rear extensions and a single storey front extension with new porch	No objection
19/00318/HSE	Corner Cottage, Wolverton Road	Single storey side extension	Objection
19/00294/FUL	Monts Farm, Browning Hill	New dwelling following demolition of existing stables and erection of a new stable building	Objection
19/00334/FUL	Land between Kents Cottage and Rosewood, Baughurst Road	4 bed dwelling	No objection
19/00335/FUL	Land adjacent to Kents Cottage, Baughurst Road	4 bed dwelling	No objection

b) Decisions by BDBC

18/03682/FUL	Stratton Manor, Browning Hill	Proposed gate lodge style dwelling to replace the existing building for which there is an extant prior approval consent for conversion to a dwelling	Approved
18/02064/FUL	September House, Heathrow Copse	Minor changes to the fenestration and internal arrangements of the ground floor. A new link corridor at the rear of the property with minor alterations to the landscaping for parking, and new entrance gate including change of use of land to residential. Erection of a lightweight timber pavilion structure.	Approved
18/03128/HSE	West View Farm, Baughurst Road	1 x 4 bed dwelling	Refused
18/03219/LBC and 18/03218/FUL	Church Farm, Browning Hill	Porch and external works for farmhouse. Demolition of 2 x outbuildings, garden wall and porches. Erection of bothy/greenhouse and granary. Construction of cob wall and brick wall with railings.	Approved

c) Any matters arising

LIDL propose to build a store in Tadley, and residents have all received fliers inviting early comment. This Council has not yet been notified of a planning application via West Berkshire District Council, and will ask to be included in their notification list.

217. **Finance**

a) financial report

The latest financial report was received and noted.

b) Vitaplay invoice

Approval was given to the payment of 5937.44 + 1187.48.

c) Minute book

As approval for the purchase had been given in the previous financial year, approval reiterated for the cost of £163.00 + 32.60 VAT.

218. **Playing fields and open spaces**

a) Grass cutting tenders

The lowest quotation of £556.30 per round of cuts, between 5-7 times per year dependent upon weather conditions, was accepted.

b) Tenancy at Will

An interim measure relating to our forthcoming contract to administer the land adjacent to the Hurst School was signed by the Chairman.

c) General

Agreed that fallen branches throughout Baughurst Common should be removed; BDBC had been asked to do so similarly on land which is the responsibility of HCC.

d) CIL

Clerk advised that £549 is due in S106 monies relating to a property built in Baughurst. However, a need using exactly this amount cannot easily be identified within playing fields and open spaces. Agreed that this should be considered at the next meeting of the relevant committee.

219. **Highways and rights of way**

The following had been reported:

- Damaged salt bin, Crabs Hill, Wolverton
- No replenishment of salt bin, Haughurst Hill
- Reported to HCC: Potholes at Heath End Road, Wolverton Road (area of Old Hare & Hounds), Woodlands Road by Leisure Centre, eroding edging the length of Snakey Lane, Pound Green; signage at Ramsdell; flooding at Ham Lane
- Replacement directional sign needed at junction of Baughurst Road and Violet Lane
- Damaged grass at kerbing around Poplar Corner
- Cllr Grenville was thanked for his repair of a broken stile on FP13b
- Rectory Lane, Wolverton, is to be closed imminently for repairs and surfacing
- FP49 reported as being very muddy at southern end

220. **Open forum**

- BDBC is currently reviewing the licensing arrangements for The Cricketers. A response had been made, advising this Council's view that any landlord responsible for the public house should be both formidable and responsible.
- Clerk advised that production of the next newsletter is underway.

221. **Accounts for payment**

Received: £78.00 Calleva; 2.56 bank interest

To pay:

Regency	Payroll February	14.50 + 2.90
Vitaplay	Repairs	5937.44 + 1187.48
Vitaplay	Inspection February	84.00 + 16.80
SEB	Pavilion	45.17 + 2.25
HCC	Pension February	347.95

Inland Revenue	Tax and NI February	251.97
Clerk	Salary and allowances February	1074.06
Tesco	Mobile contract February	7.50
Microsoft	Office 365 February	17.60 + 3.52
Business Stream	Pavilion February	7.00

222. **Date of next meeting**

The next meeting of BAUGHURST PARISH COUNCIL will take place on **Thursday 21 March 2019, 7.30 pm**, Heath End Hall, Baughurst.